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SIR:

The following amendment remarks are in response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2007, that sets a shortened statutory period for response that expired on December 10, 2007. Applicants also request, and submit fee for, a 1-month extension of time. Amendments to the specification begin on page 2, Amendments to the claims begin on page 4, and Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.